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Cannonball Run

The spaceship Blue Typhoon was calmly sailing through the galaxy. Suddenly, its emergency alarm started beeping! On the ship's bridge, Sonic the Hedgehog and his friends, Chris,Tails, Amy, Knuckles, Cream, and Cheese, gasped in surprise. Worried, Cosmo ran up to join them.

"Our scanners picked up two approaching objects," reported Tails, the pilot. "They're dead ahead and closing fast!"

"I see them!" shouted Amy, pointing at the viewscreen.

"Metarex!" growled Sonic. Their enemies were here!

"It looks like they just stole that Planet Egg!"

Sonic and his pals race around the galaxy!

Cosmo cried, seeing the large green jewel held by one Metarex.

Evil mechanical creatures known as Metarex had been showing up all over the universe, stealing the magical Planet Eggs that controlled each world's weather. Also, these villains had taken the seven powerful Chaos Emeralds. Sonic and his pals were racing around the galaxy to find all the Chaos Emeralds and keep every Planet Egg safe.

"We've got to free that Planet Egg!" Tails shouted.

The Blue Typhoon shuddered violently! The larger of the two Metarex shot out six long metal cables, which clamped onto the Blue Typhoon, holding it captive!

"Fire the laser cannons!" commanded Tails.

The spaceship's huge guns blasted the bigger Metarex.

"It bounced right off," whimpered Cream in amazement.

The cables tightened around the ship's wings.

"It's trying to pull our wings off!" observed Amy. "We have to do something **before it's too late!"**

"We'll stop it," Tails reassured Amy. Then he ordered, "Load the main cannon!"

"We're loading it now," Knuckles replied from his console, with Chris by his side.

"Sonic," Chris said over the ship's PA system, "enter the main cannon and get ready for launch!"

Out on the front deck, Sonic watched as the giant cannon rose into position. He leaped inside and ran down the long barrel until he reached the other end.

"Ready!" Sonic shouted. He spun around as fast as he could, becoming a round blue blur. Sonic was going to be the cannonball!

"Main cannon fire!" Tails bellowed.

Crackling with energy, the glowing blue ball blasted out of the barrel! Sonic **shot through space** and struck the larger

Sonic cannonballs through the Metarex's chest

Metarex in the chest. A direct hit!

Sonic the spinning cannonball carved a round hole right through the metallic creature and came out its back!

The bigger Metarex exploded in a blinding flash of white light! The force of the blast shook the smaller monkey-like Metarex, making it drop the Planet Egg. Both creatures and the stolen Egg fell back toward the planet.

On the bridge of the Blue Typhoon, everyone cheered.

"Looks like we knocked out the Metarex," Tails said, smiling. "The big one is out of commission. And the Planet Egg's going back where it belongs."

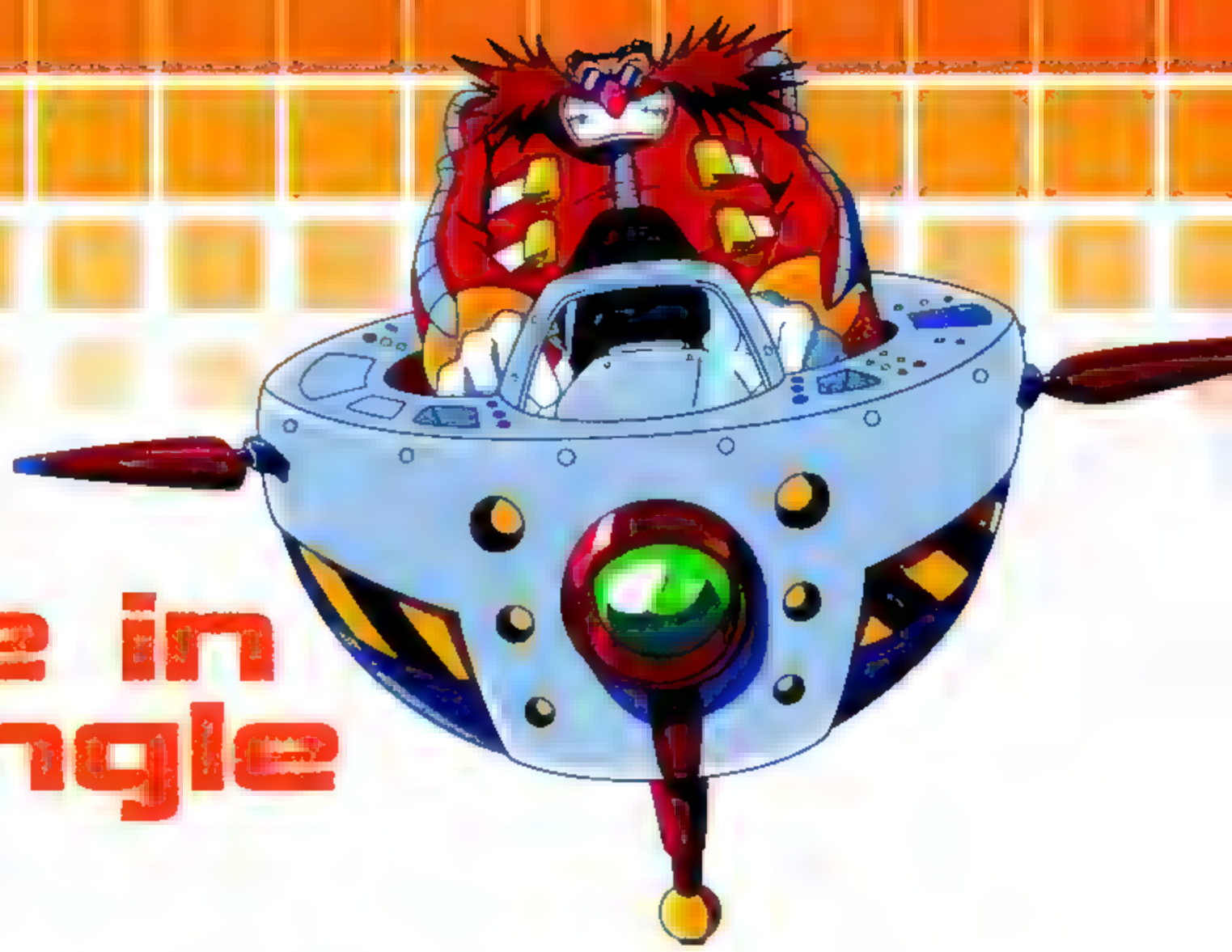
"Thanks to Sonic!" gushed Cosmo.

"Wait a second," Amy said. "Why isn't Sonic coming back to the ship?"

Chris chuckled nervously "The cannon that launched him worked great. Unfortunately, we fired him too hard, and he couldn't get out of his spin in time to get back to the ship!

He's headed for the planet."

"Sonic!" cried Amy as the tiny blue blur she loved disappeared toward the mysterious green planet below.



Bungle in the Jungle

Sonic fell from the sky like a meteor and crash-landed in the jungle that covered the planet.

He couldn't believe his eyes! Sonic just happened to land right next to someone else's crash site. No, not the two Metarex. Worse!

"It's Eggman!" Sonic gasped.

Dr. Eggman was Sonic's number-one enemy. Like the Metarex, this villain was also after the Chaos Emeralds and Planet Eggs. Sonic knew that Eggman must be up to no good here.

Eggman was crumpled on the ground snoring, along with his two sleeping robot henchmen, Decoe and Bocoe. Their Egg Mobile vehicle was

"You snooze, you lose!"

in a smoking heap beside them. They must have been knocked out by their crash!

Sonic stumbled upon a green jewel on the ground near the wreckage. "Eggman found a Chaos Emerald!"

The hedgehog ran away with the gem while the bad guys slept. "You snooze, you lose!" Sonic chuckled.

Meanwhile, at another crash site in the jungle, the smaller, monkey-like Metarex was trying to wake up the broken, bigger machine. The Planet Egg hovered nearby.

"He was supposed to protect me and the Planet Egg," the metallic monkey fretted. "I'm not built for battle!"

Just then, The Blue Typhoon appeared above the trees, preparing to land on the planet. "They're coming for the Planet Egg! Oo! Oo!" the monkey grunted. "If I don't think of something fast, I'm going to end up a Meta-wreck!"

Parked on the deck of the Blue Typhoon was a

"I'm not built for battle!"

smaller, yellow surface ship called the X-Tornado. Tails and Knuckles climbed into it.

"Move over! I'm going with you!" Amy called out.

Tails yelled back, "It's not safe! That smaller Metarex may be out there somewhere."

"But I have to find Sonic!" Amy jumped up and down.

"Knuckles and I will find him and bring him back," Tails said kindly. "Stay and help Chris fix the ship."

"Tails is trying to tell you that we don't want you getting in our way!" Knuckles said through gritted teeth.

Tails gulped nervously.

"In your way?!" Amy stamped her foot in anger.

Knuckles ignored her. "C'mon, Tails. Let's get going."

"Okay," said Tails hesitantly.

"Do not take off!" Amy insisted with a frown.

The X-Tornado launched away from the Blue

Typhoon. Amy yelled after them, "Fine! Who needs you guys, anyway?"

Outside the parked Blue Typhoon, Cosmo, Cream, and Cheese walked down the ship's ramp and into the jungle.

Cosmo put her hands on a tree trunk and frowned. "The trees are sad. It seems the Planet Egg hasn't been restored yet. I can't leave here until I make sure it is."

"You want to look for the Planet Egg?" asked Cream.

Cosmo nodded gravely. "Yes."

Amy, grumbling to herself, came marching purposefully down the ship's ramp, going past her friends without a glance.

"Amy . . . ?" Cream began.

"Where are you going?" Cosmo finished.

"I can't rely on Knuckles and Tails to find Sonic!" Amy grouched. "I have to go rescue him myself! I won't rest until I get him back!" She marched into the jungle alone.

"Amy is right," Cosmo told herself. "I cannot rely on anyone else, either. I will not rest until I have the Planet Egg!" Cosmo marched away into the jungle, too.

"Hey, wait for us!" Cream called after them.

"Chao!" peeped little Cheese, hurrying to follow.

A Monkey Wrench in the Works

On the Blue Typhoon, Chris was busy welding to repair the ship. He hadn't yet realized he was alone.

"Amy, could you hand me a microcircuit, please?" he asked without looking up. "Amy? Cosmo? I can't believe they left the ship without even telling me!"

Chris ran to the bridge and made an emergency call to Tails and Knuckles. "Blue Typhoon to X-Tornado. Come in!"

Tails's voice crackled over the radio. "X-Tornado here. What's up, Chris?"

"Amy's gone! So are Cream and Cheese! And Cosmo!" Chris's voice crackled back over the

radio to Tails and Knuckles. "Look for them, too, while you're seeking Sonic!"

Before Tails could answer, the big blue jewel in the X-Tornado's dashboard began to glow.

"The Emerald's reacting to something!" Tails gasped.

"That means there must be another Chaos Emerald nearby!" added Knuckles excitedly. "Let's go find it!"

Meanwhile, somewhere in the jungle, Amy pushed her way through the overgrowth followed by Cosmo, Cream, and Cheese.

"Son-ic!" Amy called in singsong. "Where are you?"

Cosmo parted some of the bushes and was shocked to see a familiar green glowing object sitting in the very center of an open area.

"How did the Planet Egg land right in the middle of this clearing?" Cream wondered suspiciously.

"Almost like somebody wanted us to find it," said Amy.

It was a trap!

"But we have to put it back where it belongs, or this planet is finished!" Cosmo pleaded.

As soon as Cosmo's fingertips touched the object, a net appeared under their feet and **lifted them all into the air!** It was a trap!

The Metarex monkey entered the clearing, chuckling at his prisoners. "Now who's the monkey in the middle? Oo! Oo! Sorry to leave you hanging, but now I've got to steal your ship, so I can escape with the Planet Egg!"

Monkey Business

The Metarex monkey moved the girls into **a round, wooden cage** on the ground.

"I bet you didn't suspect I'd be this *cagey*. Oo! Oo!" The metallic ape laughed at his own joke. "But my scheme wouldn't have worked if you weren't so gullible!"

"Grrr!" Amy growled, shaking the bars of their jail.

The simian walked away with the Planet Egg. "I'll say hello to your friends for you. If they're as dim-witted as you, I should be doing a victory dance in no time! Oo! Oo!"

"I don't think so, you **miserable monkey!**" Amy yelled. "Sonic's going to go ape when he

"I never should have Fallen for That trap," says Cosmo

hears that you caught me!"

"It's all my fault," said Cosmo, sighing. "I never should have fallen for that trap. Now we've lost the Planet Egg *and* Sonic. Huh?"

Cosmo's thoughts were interrupted by the **thunderously loud noise** of Amy's hammer smashing their cage into smithereens! They were free!

"Thanks, Amy." Cosmo grinned.

A short time later, Cosmo, Amy, Cream, and Cheese were making their way through the jungle again.

Puzzled, Amy pointed to a new clearing ahead. "This scene sure looks familiar." The same green Planet Egg was sitting in the center of this open area, too!

"Looks like another Metarex trap," Cream said.

"Chao! Chao!" little Cheese agreed.

"Would he try the same trap twice?" Cosmo asked. "Well, there's only one way to find out . . ."

"Cosmo! Don't!" Amy begged.

"Stay back." Cosmo gestured for the others to keep away. "If it's a trap, it will only catch *me* this time."

As soon as Cosmo's fingertips touched the Planet Egg, a vine quickly wrapped around her feet—but it was long enough to reach Amy's and Cream's feet, too!

The vine hoisted the three girls into the air upside down by their ankles! Tiny Cheese hovered beside her captured friends. How would they get out of this one?

Monkeying Around

Just like before, the Metarex monkey entered the new clearing, laughing. He thought he had captured Sonic this time!

"Oo! Oo! I'm two for two!" he chortled, then stopped short when he saw the girls. "Didn't I catch you already?" The ape snickered. "You fell for the same trap twice!"

Cream and Cheese had had enough of the Metarex's teasing. Cream threw her little round friend at the villain like a dodgeball, knocking him **right off his feet!**

The girls dropped down to the ground safely. Cosmo grabbed the Planet Egg and they all ran for it!

in vine swings
from the trees

"Come on!" shouted Amy, leading the way.

Cosmo muttered sheepishly, "You must be angry with me after the trouble I caused. I get so focused on saving the galaxy, I can be reckless."

"You got the Planet Egg," Amy pointed out. "I really admire how you never gave up."

Cosmo smiled widely. "You do?"

"I know just how you feel, Cosmo," said Amy. "Because when Sonic's in danger, I can't rest until I save him!"

"After we find Sonic, we'll work together to be sure the Planet Egg gets back where it belongs," Cream added.

Suddenly, a long, thin vine, tangled into a huge round wad at the end, swung down from the trees like a wrecking ball! It knocked the Planet Egg out of Cosmo's hands and batted Cosmo high into the sky!

The Metarex monkey zipped in and caught the Planet Egg. "Oo! Oo! That was too easy!"

"Not so fast," called Cosmo as she glided gracefully down to safety. She picked some giant red berries and threw them at the Metarex. One splattered right in its face!

Amy gave a battle cry: "Ahhhhh!" And she clobbered the temporarily blinded bad guy with her handy hammer.

The metal monkey spun around, dizzy, then collapsed.

The girls made a break for it with the Planet Egg! They ran away through the jungle as fast as they could.

"Hold it right there!" The Metarex monkey suddenly dropped down in front of Amy, Cosmo, Cream, and Cheese!

The girls ran in another direction, over a blanket of leaves covering a hidden pit. It was another trap, and they fell for it! Literally. They fell into the hole.

"Yeah! I did it!" the ape cheered. "I'm on a roll!"

Little did the monkey know, Cream and

Cheese could fly! Cream flapped her ears and lifted Amy and Cosmo up out of the pit. Cheese carried the Planet Egg. It was bigger than he was!

Amy readied herself. **"Give it all you got, girls!"**

"Roger!" said Cream and Cosmo at the same time.

Cream held onto Cosmo's feet, and Cosmo held onto Amy's, forming a chain. With all her might, Cream swung her row of linked friends around and around in the air like a whip! Amy held out her hammer, and on Cream's final swing, whacked the Metarex over the horizon like a baseball!

Amy cheered. "When we all work together, **we're unstoppable!"** The girls celebrated with a group high five.

Going Bananas

Meanwhile, Sonic was running through some tall grass that carpeted the jungle floor. Suddenly, the green Chaos Emerald he had recovered from Dr. Eggman's crash site **began to glow brightly.** It could sense another Emerald nearby!

"Sonic!" Tails called from above. The X-Tornado had used its own blue Emerald to locate Sonic's green one!

"Hi, Tails," Sonic called back. **"Look!"** He held up the powerful gem he had found. "Got a little present for you!"

"Stay there!" Knuckles shouted. "We'll pick you up!"

As the X-Tornado began its landing, three mysterious long metal cables with giant pinchers on the ends slithered out of the jungle! One snatched the Chaos Emerald away from Sonic! The others wrapped around the X-Tornado!

The cable with the green Chaos Emerald in its tongs pulled back, showing that it was attached to the Egg Mobile, which was all fixed and with a wide-awake Dr. Eggman at the helm!

"I stole that Emerald first, so **it belongs to me!**" the evil egghead growled. "Stealers keepers!"

The pincher cable carefully placed the green gem into a little compartment in the Egg Mobile's engine.

"Time to power up!" said Bocoe, one of the robot henchmen.

Sonic and Knuckles watched angrily as the bee-shaped Egg Mobile glowed with the power of their Chaos Emerald.

Just then, Amy, Cosmo, Cream, and Cheese came racing out of the jungle, chased by the

The X-Tornado begins its landing

Metarex monkey!

Amy leaped over the top of the Egg Mobile without noticing, even though she stepped right on Eggman's head!

The girls were in such a rush to get away from the Metarex that they ran right past Sonic, Knuckles, and even Tails in the X-Tornado without paying any attention!

Amy skidded to a halt. "Sonic!" She doubled back and smothered him with hugs and kisses. "I've been looking all over for you!"

Sonic squirmed. "This isn't a kissing booth."

"Look, everybody." Cosmo held up her green object. "We found the Planet Egg! Isn't that fantastic?"

Dr. Eggman was not happy about being bounced upon. "I'm not a trampoline! Nobody hops on my head and gets away with it!" He nodded to his minions.

"Activating attack mode!" Decoe and Bocoe recited.

Amy stops right on
Eggman's head!

Seven long metal cables with giant pinchers on the ends snaked out from the Egg Mobile toward Sonic and his friends, **grabbing every last one of them!**

Even the Metarex monkey was caught in a pincher claw!

"Hey, no fair! I'm a bad guy, too! Oo! Oo!"

Another Vine Mess You've Gotten Us Into

Cosmo, holding the Planet Egg, closed her eyes and concentrated. **Powerful beams shot out** across the landscape from the magical orb! Giant vines began to grow up and wrap themselves around the Egg Mobile.

"What's going on?" Dr. Eggman demanded.

"The energy from the Planet Egg is making the vegetation grow faster," explained Tails.

The vines continued to grow out of control, twisting around the pincher claws and their captives—even around Cosmo!

On the bridge of the spaceship Blue Typhoon, Chris's console started to **beep wildly.** He

put on his radio headphones and said, "This is the Blue Typhoon. Over."

"Ahhhhh!" cried the chorus of his friends' panicked voices in the distress call.

"Calm down! Try to talk one at a time!" Chris said.

Out in the jungle, the thick vines continued to wind tighter around everything and everyone!

"I can't control the Planet Egg!" cried Cosmo.

Gigantic vines grew higher than the treetops, up into the clouds just like in the story about Jack and the Beanstalk!

A tiny glimmer in the sky seemed to be getting larger, too. It was a spaceship approaching!

"Hang on, guys!" a voice called out.

Sonic recognized their friend's voice. "It's Chris!"

In the X-Tornado, Tails struggled against the vines to reach the blue Chaos Emerald in the dashboard. "Got it!" He tossed the gem to his hedgehog buddy.

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sol
vines like Tarzan

Sonic, wrapped head to toe in vines, caught the jewel in his free hand. "Nice work, Tails!"

Chaos Emeralds were power-ups for Sonic's spin attack! Now he was able to **whirl super-fast** into a blurry ball and tear himself free from the vines!

"Sonic, heads up!" Chris fired a power-up from the ship down to his friend.

When its energy hit Sonic, a pair of gliding shoes materialized on his feet!

Sonic used his new special sneakers to skid along the length of the thick vines like Tarzan! He vine-surfed toward the Egg Mobile.

On the way, **Sonic grabbed Cream by the feet**, who held onto Cosmo's ankles, who grasped Amy's legs, who swung her powerful hammer! Working together, in one mighty blow, they were able to knock Dr. Eggman, Decoe, Bocoe, and even the Egg Mobile away into the sky!

A tiny glinting object fell from the clouds. It was the green Chaos Emerald, knocked free

from Eggman's ship.

Sonic caught the green Chaos Emerald.

His friends were all still tied up by the giant vines!

Without warning, the Planet Egg began to glow eerily. It gently floated out of Cosmo's hands. Everyone watched in awe as the Egg magically passed right through the ground!

Gigantic rings of energy pulsed out from the Planet Egg, traveling over the entire surface of the jungle world.

The overgrown vines shrank away, releasing Sonic's friends at last! Even the Metarex was finally free.

The Metarex begged for forgiveness. "I'm sorry! I was programmed for monkey business. I learned my lesson!"

Then something shiny caught the monkey's eye. It was the green Chaos Emerald sparkling in Sonic's hand.

The evil ape growled, "Wow, what a beautiful Emerald!"

The Emerald catches
the Metarex's eye

He leaped greedily at Sonic! The speedy hedgehog easily dodged the monkey. He didn't fall for that fake apology!

Sonic and his friends launched the Metarex far away into the sky for good. The metal monkey's voice echoed overhead, "Oo! Oo! This mission is **driving me bananas!**"

Later, the Blue Typhoon soared majestically through outer space. The crew assembled on the bridge to look at the blue and green Chaos Emeralds they'd found.

"Only five more to go," Tails said, grinning.

"I'm sure we'll get them all back." Cosmo nodded.

"You think so, Cosmo?" asked Chris.

Cosmo smiled at all her friends. She knew that no matter what adventure lay ahead, they'd get through it as a team. "Today I learned if we all work together, **anything is possible!**"

GAMES

Sonic and his friends (his enemies, too) are lost in the grid below. Only YOU can help them. Find them and bring them back home. Keep your eyes peeled! Names are written forward, backward, and even diagonally.

SONIC	EGGMAN	CHEESE	COSMO
KNUCKLES	AMY	DECOE	METAREX
CREAM	CHRIS	TAILS	BOCOE

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Y A U E G T H C R E A M
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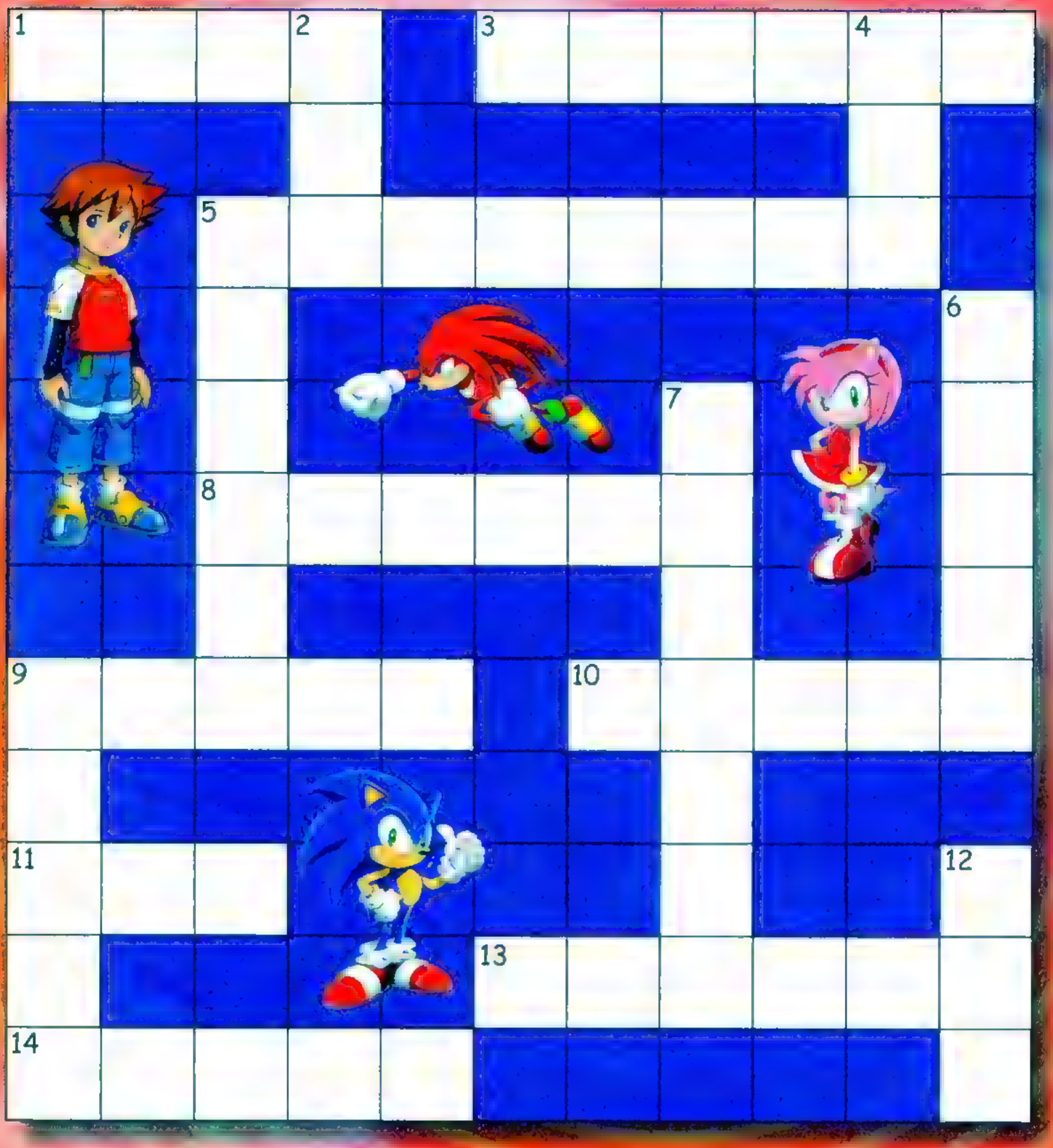
Now that you've found him, help Sonic uncover these hidden treasures, too!

CHAOS EMERALD PLANET EGG POWER UP

SOLVE THIS SUPER SONIC X-WORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

1. Amy gave Sonic a hug and a ___.
3. Cosmo found the __ Egg.
5. Sonic the __
8. This kind of Metarex said, "Oo! Oo!"
9. Sonic's human friend
10. Sonic wore a pair of gliding ___.
11. She loves Sonic.
13. Sonic was lost on the __ planet.
14. Outer ___.

DOWN

2. Monkey ___, monkey do.
4. Decoe and Bocoe powered up the ___ Mobile.
5. Amy smashed things with her ___.
6. These grew and wrapped around Sonic and friends.
7. The spaceship Blue ___
9. ___ Emeralds
12. The Metarex monkey caught the girls in a ___.

Sonic and the crew are racing around the galaxy trying to find the lost CHAOS EMERALDS! Help them harness the power of the CHAOS EMERALDS before the Metarex and Dr. Eggman beat them to it!

HOW MANY WORDS CAN YOU MAKE USING THE LETTERS IN CHAOS EMERALDS?

Write as many words as you can in the spaces below.
Ready? Set? **GO! GO!! GO!!!**

15 WORDS: You can pilot the X-Tornado!
20 WORDS: Dr. Eggman wants you on his side!
25 WORDS: The Metarex are afraid of you!
30 or more WORDS: The universe is saved!

The fun doesn't stop here!
Can you come up with more words?

SCRAMBLED EGGMAN!

Hard-Boiled Villain Dr. Eggman has scrambled Sonic and his pals. Help them get to the Chaos Emeralds fast and save them from that mad man!

1 SALIT _ _ _ _ _

2 MERAC _ _ _ _ _

3 CLEKUNSK _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

4 NOCSI _ _ _ _ _

5. YAM _ _ _

6 MOSOC _ _ _ _ _

7 EHECES _ _ _ _ _ _

8 SIHRC _ _ _ _ _

For BONUS POINTS, crack what the Motobug modified poached!

9 APLENT GEG _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

5 NAMES or more = The yolk's on Eggman!
ALL 8 NAMES plus BONUS = Scrambled words ove[illegible]asy!

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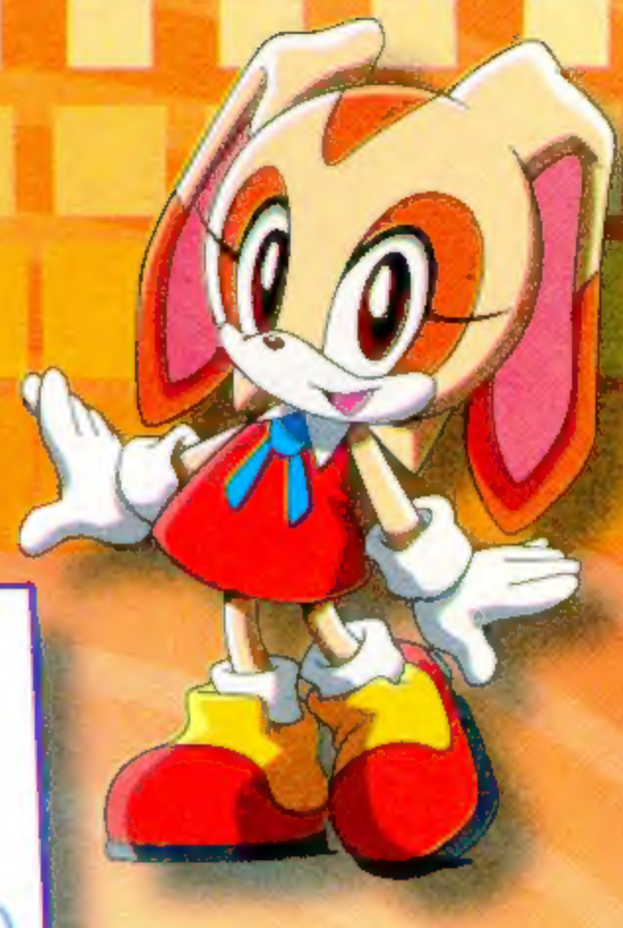

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Sonic X-Word Puzzle

Chaos Emeralds

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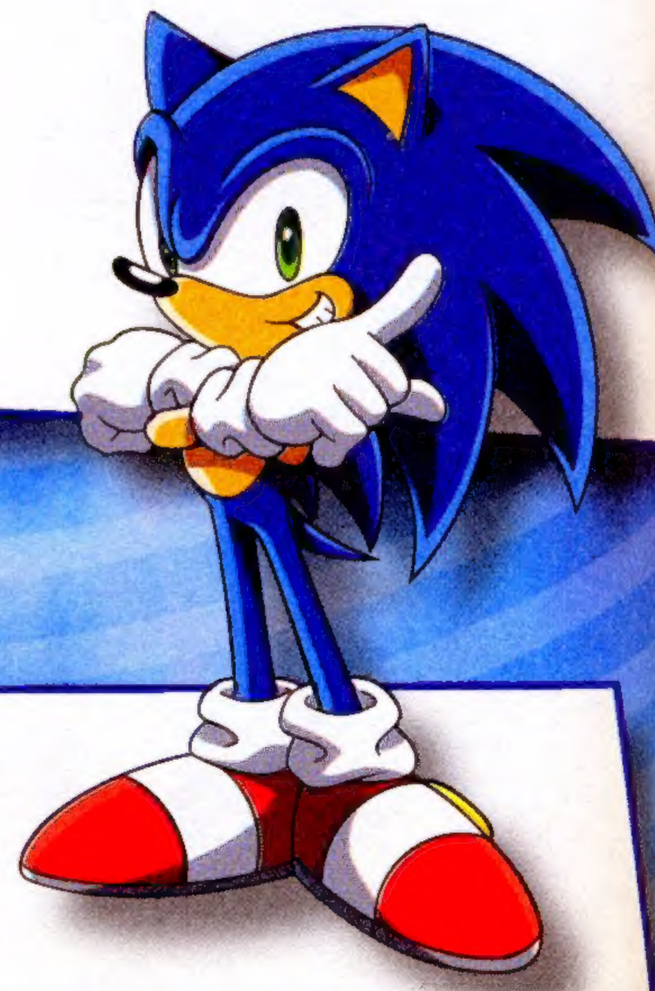
The fun doesn't stop here! Can you come up with more words?



Scrambled Eggman

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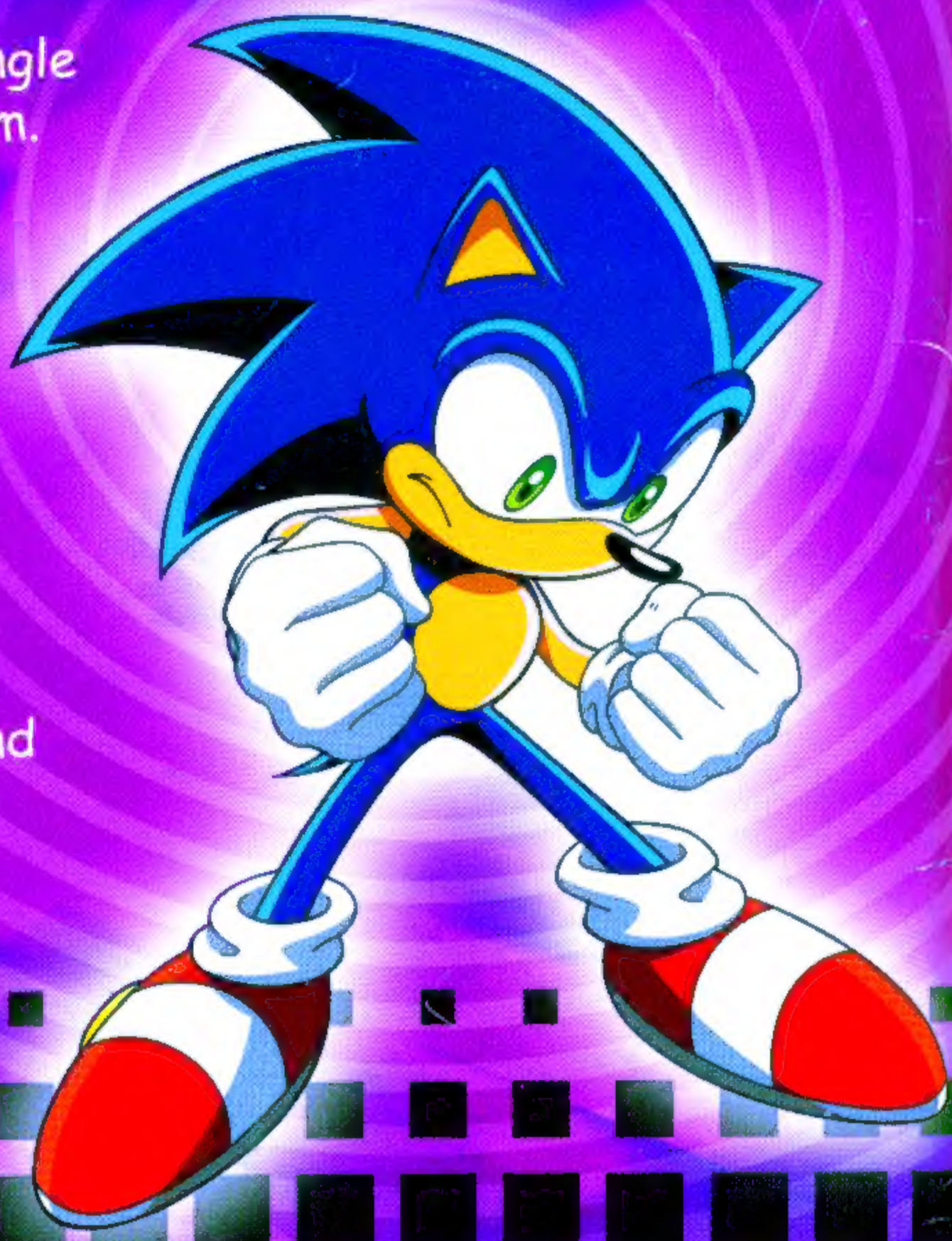

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